

# Virginia

## Field Office

### Fact Sheet for Members of Congress

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#### Profile

Established: 1976  
Staff: 20  
FY 2002 budget: \$1,105,460

#### Purpose

Field office biologists work with landowners, private and community organizations, industry and other government agencies to conserve, protect and enhance fish and wildlife resources in Virginia. Their work is guided by the following laws and other related legislative authorities:

*Clean Water Act*  
*Endangered Species Act*  
*Federal Power Act*  
*Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act*  
*Food Security Act*  
*Migratory Bird Treaty Act*  
*National Environmental Policy Act*  
*Oil Pollution Act*  
*Superfund (CERCLA)*  
*Water Resources Development Act*

#### Management Activities

- Protect plant and animal populations on the federal List of Threatened and Endangered Species
- Protect federal trust species and their habitats
- Investigate, prevent and remediate environmental pollution impacts on federal trust species and their habitats
- Work with landowners and government agencies to conserve, protect and enhance wildlife habitats
- Encourage public involvement in wildlife-related issues

#### Highlights

Field office biologists coordinate efforts to conserve and recover populations of 59 threatened and endangered species in Virginia.

The Service represents fish and wildlife interests in water resource issues on Virginia's coastal and inland waterways.

Field office biologists annually review more than 2,000 federally funded, licensed or permitted projects to determine their effect on fish and wildlife, wetlands, endangered species and water quality.

Private landowners and government agencies work with the Service to restore and conserve wetlands, aquatic habitats and upland wildlife habitats.



Field office biologists assist federal and state agencies in investigating and remediating oil and chemical spills and hazardous waste sites to protect fish and wildlife resources.

Field station biologists provide technical assistance and advice to federal agencies and farmers under provisions of the Farm Bill.

#### Issues

The federal review and permitting process can spark public and media interest.

*The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.*

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